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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

Haruki OKAMURA et al.

Serial No.: 09/050,249

Filed: March 30, 1998

For: IFN- γ PRODUCTION INDUCING
PROTEIN AND MONOCLONAL
ANTIBODY...

Confirmation No. 6601

) Art Unit: 1646

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 11, 2002,
petition and payment for a two month extension of time being
attached hereto, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claim 93 with new rewritten claim 93 as
follows below. A marked-up version of amended claim 93 to show
the changes made is attached hereto.

21 Sub-m1
93 (Twice-amended). A monoclonal antibody which
specifically recognizes (i) an interferon-gamma (IFN- γ) inducing
protein, also known as IGIF and IL-18, having the following
physiochemical properties of (1) to (4) or (ii) a variant thereof
which has substantially the same physicochemical properties of